



## **VI. New Business**

**Alaska Department of Transportation** representatives presented a five minute video on the *Pedestrian Safety Action Plan* and a presentation intended for all community councils entitled *Taking Action to Prevent Roadway Deaths* by the Anchorage Vision Zero Task Force. The presentation is available for download at <https://communitycouncils.org/download/24682.pdf>. The presenters distributed a concept paper on a Neighborhood Greenway Network for Anchorage intended to connect low volume streets to greenbelts.

## **VII. Election of Officers**

After discussion, members raised no objections to any of the candidates nominated for officers at the November meeting.

Chairwoman - Nicole Cupp

Vice-Chair - Andrew Satterfield

Treasurer -TJ Andrew

Secretary -Steve Johnson

FCC representatives (alternating meetings as required): Kevin Fimon, Nicole Cupp, TJ Andrew, Deirdre Goins

## **VIII. Reports**

**Housing &Homeless Committee-Michael Burke, TJ Andrew** No report.

**FCC Representative - Kevin Fimon** noted the intention of the mayor to send a representative to each community council three times each year. The mayor's office asked that community council's request a meeting date in advance, in order to facilitate scheduling at 37 community councils.

**Vice-Chair - Andrew Satterfield** - no report.

**Treasurer - TJ Andrew** - no report.

**CPCC Chair - Nicole Cupp** No report.

## **Legislature**

**Sen. Gray-Jackson** and **Senator Dunbar were not present.** **Sen. Gray-Jackson** sent notes included in the appendix to these minutes.

**Rep. Andy Josephson** was not present but sent comments, summarized by Chairwoman Cupp, and included in full in the appendix to these minutes.

**Rep. Andrew Gray** Rep. Jamie Allard, Eagle River, is lead on the bill for ending the change to daylight saving time. She encourages a council resolution on the subject, when bill is more further along in the legislative process. Rep. Gray commented on status of revocable humanitarian status of Ukrainian and Afghani refugees in Alaska. He has introduced bills to incentivize more affordable housing , protect foster children from unnecessary psychiatric hospitalization, and require a cancer warning label on alcoholic beverages.

## **Municipality of Anchorage**

**Assembly Member Meg Zaletel** Not present, no report.

**Assembly Member Felix Rivera** summarized upcoming assembly agenda items on proposals for a tax levy for outright purchase of new vehicles and proposals for a sales tax.and responded to questions about possible new exemptions from municipal property taxes and pay raises for municipal employees. A comparison of the five different proposals for a sales tax is at

[https://www.muni.org/Departments/Assembly/SiteAssets/Pages/Project-Anchorage-Sales-Tax-Proposal/2025-0107%20Project%20Anchorage%20Crosswalk\\_KEY.pdf](https://www.muni.org/Departments/Assembly/SiteAssets/Pages/Project-Anchorage-Sales-Tax-Proposal/2025-0107%20Project%20Anchorage%20Crosswalk_KEY.pdf)

**Mayor's Office** - Not present, no report.

**School Board Dave Donley.** Not present.

**IX. Open Forum.** Liz Ellis asked if anyone has investigated hot washing Waldron Pond for skating, much as Westchester Lagoon is prepared.

**X. Next Meeting** Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Cay's Room, 2222 E. Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK and by Zoom.

**XI. Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

## **Appendix**

### **Resolution 2025-01**

#### **A resolution advocating the proposed Community Council Boundary changes to Survey Areas 12 and 13.**

WHEREAS Anchorage Municipal Code 2.40.040 states that “Review of community council district boundaries and the number of districts shall occur upon assembly or planning and zoning commission initiative or at the request of the mayor or one or more community councils; however, a comprehensive review of district boundaries and the number of districts shall occur at least once every ten years, following the release of decennial U.S. Census results and after assembly redistricting is acted upon and any court appeals are disposed of.”

WHEREAS the Municipal Planning Department began the 10-year review of community council boundaries in 2022 with a questionnaire survey and outreach to community councils to identify potential Boundary Study Areas.

WHEREAS a Boundary Advisory Committee made up of a geographically representative group of 12 volunteers from among the Community Councils was organized in early 2023 to provide feedback to the Planning Department and the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the boundary study areas that were identified by the questionnaire responses and other public comments.

WHEREAS after five publicly noticed meetings, the Boundary Advisory Committee created an Action Summary with their recommendations regarding each Boundary Study Area.

WHEREAS in late October 2024 the Planning Department released a public hearing draft report and recommendations with maps for Community Councils to review and respond to.

WHEREAS Campbell Park Community Council has reviewed the Planning Department draft report and recommendations for Boundary Survey Area 12, Tudor Area Community Council, being merged into University Area Community Council.

WHEREAS Campbell Park Community Council has reviewed the Planning Department draft report and recommendations for Boundary Survey Area 13, maintaining the current boundaries of Campbell Park Community Council except as follows;

WHEREAS Basher Community Council has requested that the common border of Campbell Park and Basher along Campbell Airstrip Road be moved west 200 feet in order to support wildfire mitigation and emergency evacuation on Campbell Airstrip Road;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Campbell Park Community Council supports the Planning Department recommendations for Boundary Survey Area 12 Tudor Area Community Council and Boundary Survey Area 13, Campbell Park Community Council, with the exception that Campbell Park Community Councils supports Basher Community Council's request to move a common boundary 200 feet west along Campbell Airstrip Road.

**Campbell Park Community Council, after obtaining a quorum of 10 or more members, approved this resolution as originally presented and as amended by separate votes of 10 Ayes, 0 Nays, & 0 Abstains. Attested this 16<sup>th</sup> of January, 2025.**

Steven Johnson  
Secretary, Campbell Park Community Council

- ▣ **Senator Gray-Jackson's Notes**
- ▣ **Campbell Park Community Council**
- ▣ **January 7, 2025**
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- ▣ Governor Dunleavy released his budget proposal on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Here is a summary of the Governor's Key Highlights in his budget proposal:

- **Public Safety**

- ▣ Increased funding in outer areas of the state.

- **Education**

- ▣ \$1.5B total for K-12 education, including \$1.1B for foundation funding.

- ▣ \$2.75M for teacher recruitment and career/technical education.

- **Energy Development**

- ▣ \$50M for AK LNG Project Advancement

- ▣ \$6.3M for renewable energy grants

- **Affordability**

- ▣ \$6M for expanded childcare assistance.

- **A full statutory PFD in 2025 - \$3,800.**

- ▣ As the Governor stated in his budget, this is just a starting point. My office will provide updates on the budget as hearings are held and finance subcommittee meetings begin.

- ▣ The Senate Majority will focus on lowering Alaska's high energy costs, improving education, and revitalizing Alaska's economy.

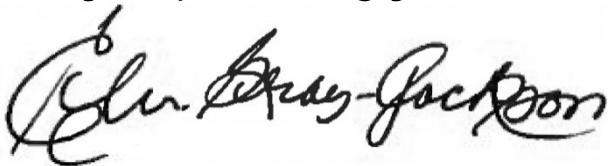
- ▣ As mentioned last month, below are a few of the bills I'm excited to reintroduce for the upcoming legislative session. I'm committed to building on the progress we made last session and passing key pieces of legislation that almost made it to the finish line last year. These bills address important issues impacting our communities, from education to public safety:

- **Asian American/Pacific Islander (AAPI) Program** will mandate the inclusion of AAPI history and culture in the curriculum of all Alaskan public schools.

- o **CPR Curriculum** will require school districts to teach CPR to students at appropriate grade levels.
  - o **Mental Health Education** will require all school districts to integrate age-appropriate mental health curriculum into the mandated health curriculum.
  - o **Chokehold Ban** will ban the use of carotid holds and tracheal holds, as well as any restraint that impedes a person's breathing or circulation in a way that could produce a loss of consciousness.
- I believe these bills represent crucial steps forward for our state. I will continue to provide updates on these and other legislative efforts as the session begins.
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day is January 20<sup>th</sup>. This is a day to remember and commemorate the life and work he did. It is a day to reflect on the systemic injustices, and principles of racial equality. Let's consider Martin Luther King Jr. Day as a "day on," focusing on actions that contribute positively to society, rather than just a day off.

***Happy New Year!***

*Always representing your interests!*



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## *REPRESENTATIVE ANDY JOSEPHSON*

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**Date:** January 16, 2025

**To:** Campbell Park Community Council

**From:** Representative Andy Josephson

**Re:** Pre-Session Preparation

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Hello Neighbors,

The 34<sup>th</sup> Legislative session convenes on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Preparation for session is multifaceted, so my office has begun to get ready ahead of schedule. Below are a few of those preparations.

### **Legislation**

The prefile deadline for the first round of legislation was Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. I filed three bills, all of which I filed last session as well.

Aggravated Factors at Sentencing: When a defendant is found guilty of a crime, they appear before a sentencing court to have their time incarcerated determined. Under AS 12.55.155(c)(22), if the defendant knowingly directed their criminal conduct upon the victim for particular factors related to the victim (race, sex, disability, etc.) then the sentencing court can impose a sentence above the presumptive range. This legislation would add “sexual orientation or gender identity” to that list of aggravated factors.

Applicability of Human Rights Commission: Employment discrimination is investigated by one or a combination of entities, i.e., the local, state, or federal commissions. The state commission



(Alaska State Commission on Human Rights) currently lacks jurisdiction over employment discrimination complaints filed against non-profits. This means over 44,000 employees in Alaska have to rely on their local commission (if there is one) or the federal commission. I believe Alaskans deserve consistent employment discrimination coverage that is investigated by Alaskans. This legislation would give the state commission jurisdiction while providing exemptions for religious institutions.

Polystyrene Food Ware Ban: Polystyrene (commonly understood as Styrofoam) is stubbornly non-biodegradable. Other alternatives to carry-out food containers are readily available and widely used, such as fiber-based containers. This legislation would ban restaurant use of polystyrene food ware containers, a simple step toward tackling global plastic waste.

## **Budget**

The Operating Budget Co-Chair position requires coordination on numerous fronts, including between House members, the Senate majority caucus, and the State departments. My responsibility is to manage an effective budget overview process and deliver a well-vetted operating budget to the Senate on time. Here are a few of the preparations my office is working on to get the House session-ready for the budget.

Finance Subcommittees: The finance subcommittee process is not subject to the Uniform Rules; therefore, the administration of the subcommittees is under my discretion. There will be a finance subcommittee for each State department, the Judiciary and Legislature, and the University. The chair of each subcommittee will be a Finance majority member, and subcommittee membership will be the same members of a standing committee with similar a scope (Resources Committee members will sit on the Department of Natural Resources Finance Subcommittee). This is the same subcommittee process from the following year.

Budget Overviews: Standing Finance Committee meetings are expected to begin Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Typically, there are four specific presentations that kick-off the session. These are the Department of Natural Resource's production forecast presentation, the Department of Revenue's revenue forecast, Office of Management and Budget's Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26) Overview, and the Legislative Finance Division's FY26 Overview. Once those presentations occur, the three co-chairs will balance time to allow presentations on department budget overviews, the capital budget, and legislation with a fiscal impact. My office aims to provide and assist with a smooth and effective committee schedule.

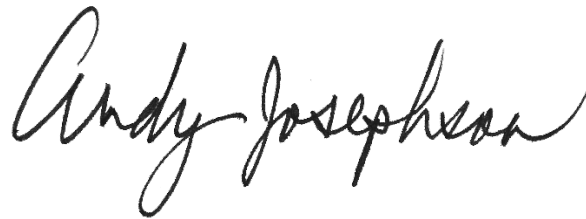
FY26 Proposed Budget: The Governor released his proposed budget by the statutory deadline (December 15<sup>th</sup>). Additionally, the Governor can offer amendments to the proposed budget until 30 days after the start of session. My office continues to work with the Legislative Finance Division to review and vet increments, decrements, and other changes to the state budget

proposed by the Governor. Naturally, the proposed budget is just a starting point and does not include most caucus priorities, stakeholder priorities, or other necessary priorities (such as an inflation adjusted Base Student Allocation). We will continue to work within and across the political aisle to craft a well-vetted, balanced budget.

**Closing**

I want to convey my deep appreciation to House District 13 for electing me to be your representative once again. Know that I will continue to work tirelessly for you. My office doors are always open to address your questions, concerns, or anything else you need. Call my staff at (907) 465-4939 to schedule an in-person or teleconference appointment. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Take care,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andy Josephson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.